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SUBJECT: COUNTRY CLEARANCE GRANTED: THOMAS SCHIEFER AND BRADLEY TURNER, EMBASSY SCIENCE FELLOWS

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- 11. Post grants country clearance to Bradley Turner and to Thomas Schiefer, Embassy Science Fellows. Post understands the travelers will be assisting the GOJ Ministry of Agriculture in implementing an avian influenza surveillance and response plan.
- 12. The Embassy point of contact will be Mr. Sylburn Thomas, telephone number (876) 935-6000 x 2304. E-mail: Sylburn. Thomas@usda.gov.
- 13. Post reconfirms its additional assistance as outlined in ref. B. In addition, travelers will be met at the Norman Manley International Airport. Post travel information is as follows: Bradley Turner arrives on Sunday, 03 September at 18:36 via flight AA331. Thomas Schiefer arrives on Sunday, 03 September at 19:31 via flight AA211. Please e-mail Sylburn Thomas if this information is not accurate.
- 14. Visitors traveling to Jamaica for periods less than two weeks do not require a visa.
- 15. There has been no specific threat directed against official American visitors or American tourists who visit Jamaica. However, Jamaica has been designated a high threat country because of street crime. It is recommended that caution be exercised while traveling in Kingston. Walking after dark is not advised. Care should be taken if driving at night. Overall, the same level of awareness should be exercised as in a similar sized city in the United States.
- 16. Travelers' checks can be exchanged for Jamaican dollars at a local bank located near the Embassy. ATM machines are also available.

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